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[¶](#)1. (S/NF) WASHINGTON ANALYSTS GREATLY APPRECIATE THE DETAILED FOLLOW-UP ON FORMER TAJURA NUCLEAR RESEARCH CENTER (TNRC) DIRECTOR ABDELKAREM MGE, AS WELL AS THE DESCRIPTIONS OF THE CURRENT POSITIONS OF DR. ALI GASHUT, DR. SALEM GHURBAL, AND DR. MOHAMMAD ENNAMI. ALL FOUR INDIVIDUALS WERE ACTIVE PARTICIPANTS IN LIBYA'S FORMER COVERT NUCLEAR PROGRAM AND/OR IN THE SUBSEQUENT TRILATERAL STEERING AND COORDINATION COMMITTEE NUCLEAR SUBCOMMITTEE DISCUSSIONS AND ACTIVITIES. WE BELIEVE IT IMPORTANT TO REMAIN AWARE OF THEIR CURRENT PROFESSIONAL AND RESEARCH ACTIVITIES. WE ARE CURIOUS WHETHER DR. MANSOUR, CURRENT HEAD OF THE CHEMICAL ENGINEERING DIVISION OF THE LIBYAN ATOMIC ENERGY ESTABLISHMENT (LAEE), IS THE SAME INDIVIDUAL AS DR. HUSSEIN MANSOUR, ALSO A FORMER PARTICIPANT IN THE COVERT NUCLEAR PROGRAM AND A CHEMIST BY TRAINING. ANALYSTS FURTHER APPRECIATED THE DESCRIPTION OF THE LAEE ORGANIZATIONAL CHART--AN ENTITY ON WHICH WE HAVE LIMITED INFORMATION--AND REMAIN INTERESTED IN ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE GOALS AND ACTIVITIES OF THE LAEE AND RESEARCH PRIORITIES OF THE TNRC.

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